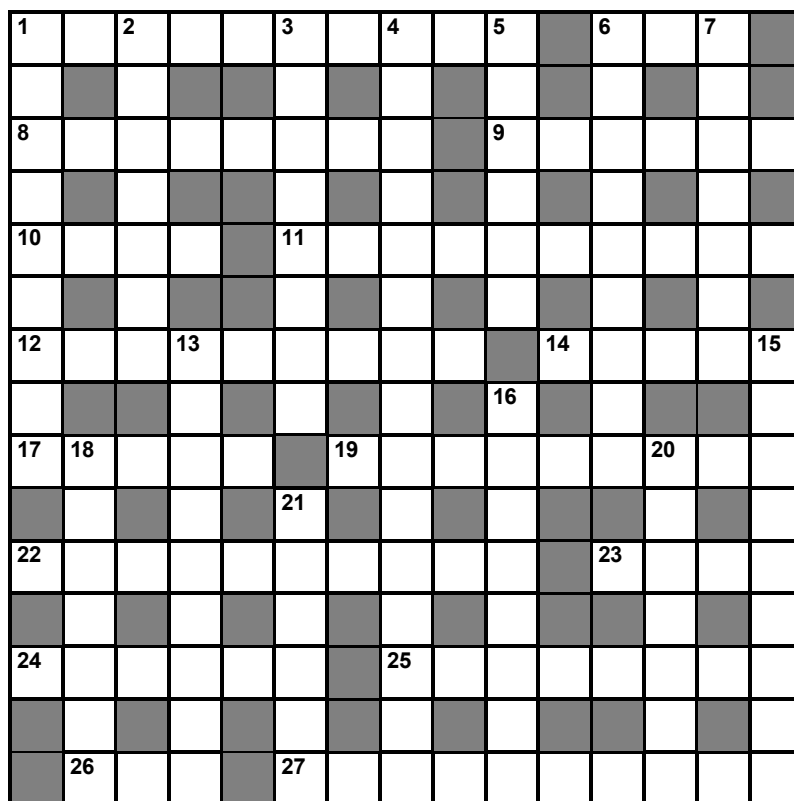


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ACROSS

- 1 Circle done out of shape is patched up (10)
- 6 Music that initially appealed to the young father (3)
- 8 Split up old cloth pieces measured in feet (8)
- 9 Withdraw from start of college, exhausted (4,2)
- 10 Eat into piece of bittersweet chocolate (4)
- 11 Tipsy niece embracing member with an awkwardness (10)
- 12 Hard veterans display unity (4,5)
- 14 Hospital treated rash that's severe (5)
- 17 That place, the area in the middle (5)
- 19 Hot former partner used in pretty rotten reference material (9)
- 22 Powerful group damaged train without doubt (3,7)
- 23 Scrub a metal sleeve used in drilling (4)
- 24 Assessment on contest was lacking, for instance (6)
- 25 Zip around a queue with digital maintenance equipment (4-4)
- 26 Recognise marine in audience (3)
- 27 Bitterness projected by the writer during split (10)

DOWN

- 1 Gunfire one's own family witnessed in mob violence (5-4)
- 2 Opening large part of a church reserved for the clergy and choir (7)
- 3 He laminated stuff in chlorine substance produced in a lab (8)
- 4 Believers translated it, say, inaccurately (6-3,6)
- 5 Dropped anchor may be cut off (6)
- 6 Dismantle trap totally back to front (4,5)
- 7 Sovereigns to be not initially included in monetary worth (7)
- 13 Sort of credit that is broken by opposing ruling (9)
- 15 Soldiers, following plan on time, armed device? (9)
- 16 No mingling with officer's public promotion (4,4)
- 18 Head office refitted store's sirens (7)
- 20 The Spanish American I have contracted is difficult to describe (7)
- 21 Beer maker's bar doing without a large jug (6)